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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 11-165—SB 958**

*Banks Committee*

*Judiciary Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING CHILD IDENTITY THEFT**

**SUMMARY:** This act expands the type of conduct that constitutes an identity theft crime.

Under prior law, this crime involved knowingly using another person's personal identifying information to obtain or attempt to obtain, in the person's name and without his or her consent, money, credit, goods, services, property, or medical information. The act removes the requirement that the perpetrator must use the person's name for the action to constitute a crime.

By law, identity theft is a class B, C, or D felony (see Table on Penalties) depending on the value of the property involved and age of the victim.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

**BACKGROUND**

*Personal Identifying Information*

By law, "personal identifying information" includes any name, number, or other information that may be used, alone or with any other information, to identify a specific person. This information includes:

1. a person's name;
2. birth date;
3. mother's maiden name;
4. motor vehicle operator license, Social Security, employee identification, employer or taxpayer identification, alien registration, government passport, health insurance identification, demand deposit account, savings account, credit, or debit card number; or
5. unique biometric data such as a fingerprint, voice print, retina or iris image, or other unique physical representation.

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